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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING THE SAME

AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING RCE

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

January 23, 2003

Sir:

Applicants submit the following Amendment to accompany the RCE filed herewith.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1 and 16 as follows:

1. (Amended) A semiconductor device comprising a first electrode, a ferroelectric film formed above the first electrode, and a second electrode formed above the ferroelectric film, further comprising

an intermediate layer of perovskite crystal structure formed at least one of boundary between the first electrode and the ferroelectric film, and boundary between the ferroelectric film and the second electrode, materials of the intermediate layer being different from materials of the first electrode, the second electrode and the ferroelectric film.